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#### SPECIFIC GUIDANCE

- 1. The various categories of intelligence data set forth in the General Guidance at the beginning of this volume indicate the types of information sought for all studies in this series.
- 2. The following are some specific items of information which are a priority requirement for the SEVASTOPOL' study:
- a. Present ACSI Order of Battle holdings list
  no Soviet Ground Force or MVD units as being garrisoned
  in SEVASTOPOL'. If any such units are observed there,
  numerical designation, strength and subordination of them
  is desired.
- b. The present status of SEVASTOPOL's barracks, especially Installations Nos. 17, 20, 26, 30, 42, 49 and 52, and other military installations needs to be determined.
- c. Precise location, status and description of SEVASTOPOL's gun emplacements.
- d. Information including location, description and status of any other military and logistical installations

which may exist in the city and its surrounding vicinity.

- e. Information on the rail line which runs south from SEVASTOPOL's urban area to BALAKLAVA. It may be an electric streetcar line, merely an extension of the intra-urban trolley bus service, yet some maps show it as a railroad line.
- f. Comments on the progress of the city's reconstruction program.
- g. Location of the following: Admiral, Melnikov and Soviet Streets; Builders, Pushkin, Nakhimov and Navarin Squares; and Red Fleet Boulevard.

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#### 1. THE CITY OF SEVASTOPOL®

#### a. Introduction:

SEVASTOPOL' (h4037'N - 33032'E), in the Odessa Military District, is a fortified port city in the Crimean Oblast, Ukrainian SSR. It is located in the southwestern corner of the Crimean Peninsula, facing on a large bay of the Elack Sea, and is approximately 40 miles southwest of SIMFEROPOL (h457N-3405E), the oblast capital. Its population increase from 110,000 in the 1939 census to an estimated 205,000 in 1957, despite evacuation, Nazi occupation and the considerable destruction of the city during World War II, attests SEVASTOPOL's growth and importance to the Soviets not only as Headquarters of the Black Sea Fleet, but also as a strategic military and naval base.

Of uncommon historical interest, SEVASTOPOL', "the August City," is a municipality of which the Soviets are especially proud. The city was founded in 1784 during the reign of Catherine the Great in the year following Russia's annexation of the Crimoa. What had been a Tatar village, AKHTIAR, near the ancient Greek colony of KHERSONES, was transformed into the chief base of Russia's Black Sea Fleet

and an important fortress city under the direction of Catherine's favorite, Field Marshal Potenkin. Since that time it has twice achieved world-wide attention for its role in the defense of the Crimea, once in the Crimean War of 1854-1856 and again during World War II. Its participation in these historic events, and because it was a center of revolutionary movements in 1905 and during the civil war, earned for SEVASTOPOL' such Soviet names of praise as "city of heroes," "city of Russian glory," and others.

#### b. Topographical and Urban Characteristics:

Elevations in SEVASTOPOL' and vicinity range from sea level to heights of over 500 feet. The varied topography of the area as well as its diverse terrain and water features give the city a uniquely beautiful setting. The high hills which predominate in the landscape surrounding SEVASTOPOL' are emphasized by low valleys and relatively flat and undulating terrain interspersed among them. Most prominent among the water features in the area is Sevastopol' Bay, a large, east-west running bay of the Black Sea which sharply divides SEVASTOPOL' into two main sections, north and south, and serves as the city's outer harbor. Known to be a very fine

harbor and roadstead, Sevastopol' Bay is about four miles in length and nearly three-fourths of a mile in width at its widest point; it may best be described as a deep, wellsheltered indentation among chalky cliffs. On the seaward approach to the city the bay and its surrounding terrain gives SEVASTOPOL! the appearance of a large, wide amphitheater, surrounded as the bay is by spurs of the Yayla Mountains of the Crimea on all sides except on the west where it narrows to about one-half mile in width and opens to the Black Sea. The city is spread out and built up along the shores, terraced slopes and high land surrounding the bay. The built-up areas along the shores are mainly composed of industrial, port, dock and shippard facilities, some military installations, and some residential area. On the southeastern end of Sevastopol' Bay lies the valley town of INKERMAN, a suburb of SEVASTOPOL', and on the bay's southwestern end lies Cape Khersones, a relatively lowlying point of land. Another suburb of SEVASTOPOL', UCHKUYEVKA, is located on the north shore of Sevastopol' Bay. SEVASTOPOL's satellite town, BALAKLAVA (4430N-3335E), approximately eight miles to the southeast, is treated as

a separate study, No. 2, in this volume.

Although Sevastopol: Bay is the only body of water leading from the Black Sea which touches SEVASTOPOL's shores, a number of lesser bays, fringing arms of the main bay, also define SEVASTOPOL's landward limits and configuration. Some of these bays are merely wide indentations while some on the south shore cut deeply into the land forming smaller amphitheaters. The most conspicuous and important of these secondary inlets is the winding South Bay; it serves as a naval and commercial harbor, and the main section of the city lies on the high land surrounding its west side. There is also a small bay on each side of the entrance to South Bay, namely, Artillery Bay and Ship's Bay. Quarantine Bay, Alexander Bay, and Paniatova Bay are but a few of the other bays which line SEVASTOPOL's northern and southern shores. Another body of water in the vicinity is the Black River, a narrow stream which flows into the eastern end of Sevastopol' Bay, near TNKERMAN.

The city proper lies on the elevated terrain above and on the south side of Sevastopol' Bay. This area, which is graphically presented on the accompanying City Flan, is

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composed of various sections. The greater portion of the city is the densely built-up section situated on Samartskiy Hill, which rises on the west side of South Bay. This section contains the city's central core and consists of administrative and commercial areas and a large park. A large, densely-constructed residential section lies to the southwest, just south of the city's main cemetery, while a large industrial, military, and residential area is also situated on the east side of South Bay, behind and including the "Sevmorzavod" shipyard, the Naval Training School and Barracks and the large Military Area to the south of it (Installations Nos. 16 and 147) and extending eastward to the vicinity of Malakhov Hill. This hill, one of the highest in the city area, provides a fine view of the city and harbor and may best be reached from the city center by way of Malakhov Boulevard, which leads directly to the hill on top of which a monument dedicated to the airmen of World War II is located. Several other monuments commemorating local and national heroes and historical events are found at various points around the city, the most noteworthy of which is a large building in Historical Park (Item 42 on the City Plan) containing a cyclorama depicting the defense of SEVASTOPOL' in the Crimean War. On the crest of a hill in the southern vicinity of the city there is a monument which consists of a large tank mounted on a granite base, a memento to the Soviet armored forces of World War II. A tall column commemorating Russian naval fame is situated a short distance from the shore in Sevastopol' Bay, and other conspicuous morniments may be seen in the city's northern district, on the north shore of the bay. Urban area buildings are mainly two- and three-story structures; many have red tiled roofs and many are made from a white stone which is quarried in nearby INKERMAN and BALAKLAVA. The predominant street pattern in the urban area is a rectangular grid; city blocks are interspersed with squares and parks, among the most notable of which are Lenin Square and Historical Park. There are many wide streets in the city, most of which are well paved and many are tree-lined. The core of the city may be regarded as the area bounded by Lenin Boulevard, Nakhimov Boulevard, and Great Naval Street. These streets are useful for orientation, as they form a belt around the core of the city, where many of SEVASTOPOL's military and civilian administration offices and better shops

and buildings are located.

#### c. Industrial Activity:

Shipbuilding and ship repairing occupy prominent places among the industries of SEVASTOPOL', a city which is more important as a naval and maritime than as a commercial center. Probably the most important industrial enterprise, and one of all-Union importance, the shipyard "Sevmorzavod," is capable of performing major repairs and construction as well as maintenance on both merchant and naval vessels. The other shipyards which appear on the City Plan are also of significance and are engaged in support of the city's naval requirements. Among the city's other industries, the following are worthy of note: SEVAS TOPOL: Thermal Power Plant Gres 1, im. "Inkerman," an electric power plant of more than local importance (Installation No. 53 on the City Plan); the "Krymkil Kombinat," a chemical industry; a plant for the making of machinery, machine parts, and measuring instruments; and armaments and munitions plants. A possible airframe plant, repair shops, a paint factory, a cammery, a tarmery, and a grain mill have also been reported. In addition, quarries, a brick and tile plant, and other buildingconstruction enterprises, as well as various communal activities, such as those which produce consumer goods, are found in SEVASTOPOL'.

#### d. Transportation and Communication:

SEVASTOPOL: is situated along a number of strategic transportation routes of the USSR. The city has waterway connection with other ports on the Black Sea, including ports on its Caucasian shore, and on the Sea of Azov. It is a port of call on the passenger ship line which plies these waters and a base for vessels of the Black Sea Fleet. In addition to the water routes, SEVASTOPOL' is also linked with other points in the Crimea and the USSR by important overland routes and by air. It is the southern terminal of MIS Railroad Route No. 4, the MOSCOW-KHAR! KOV-ZAPOROZH! YE railroad line, which is the northern extension of the Stalin Railroad System, the line which connects the Crimea with other points in the Ukrainian SSR. The Stalin Railroad System, a single track, 5'0" gauge rail line, provides SEVASTOPOL' with direct connection to the capital, SIMFEROPOL, 40 miles to the northeast, and serves along the way the station at INKERMAN and at Bel'bek and Mac Kenzie (named for an Admiral Mac Kenzie who, under Potemkin, is credited with building the

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city) stations on the north side of Sevastopol' Bay. The town of BALAKLAVA, to the south of SEVASTOPOL', is served by two rail lines, one of which may be a streetcar line which leads from SEVASTOPOL's urban area and the other is a spur of the main line which leads from INKERMAN. Spurs from the main line also serve some of the city's industrial areas.

The most significant road leading out of the city of SEVASTOPOL' is MIS Highway Route No. 4, which runs from MOSCOW to SEVASTOPOL', a distance of some 887 miles. This road, like the rail line, directly connects SEVASTOPOL' with the Crimean oblast capital. Another highway of some importance leads south from the city and goes as far as BALAKLAVA, eight miles away. One other road which is noteworthy leads southeastward from the city, first towards the southern coast of the Crimean Peninsula which it then roughly follows until it reaches YALTA (4430N-3408E), a distance of approximately 30 miles. Other roads emanating from SEVASTOPOL' are of local significance, connecting the city with nearby points such as KHERSONES, INKERMAN, and points on the north shore of Sevastopol' Bay.

The air and seaplane stations around SEVASTOPOL', some of which are shown on the City Flan and the Area Map (Installations Nos. 1, 2, 5, 6, 12, 14, 15 and 43) are probably primarily used by the SAF and the Soviet Navy. It is not definitely known, but at least one of these facilities, possibly Installation No. 43, may also be joint status or available for civilian use.

Local transportation in the city of SEVASTOPOL' is provided by trolley buses, a post-war development, and by regular motor-buses. In addition, ferries which ply across Sevastopol' Bay are useful in connecting the main section of the city with other points along its northern and southern shores.

Standard communication facilities, radio, telephone, telegraph and postal, are also available in SEVASTOPOL'.

#### 2. MILITARY APPRAISAL

#### a. Order of Battle:

ACSI Order of Battle holdings list no Soviet Ground Force or MVD units in SEVASTOFOL', a "closed" area. However, it is probable, as available post-war reports from low-level sources indicate, that some military units are stationed and garrisoned in and near the city for its defense and for its naval activities. There are a number of military installations

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in the city, and as many as 30,000 troops have been reported, consisting of personnel from AA, coastal artillery, tank and infantry units and from the navy, who may comprise a numerical majority. In addition, internal security personnel, members of the MVD, have been reported in the city, which is not unlikely since SEVASTOPOL' is a port and railway terminus of enormous importance.

#### b. Military Installations:

The accompanying City Plan and Area Map show a total of 56 military and other items which are identified in the Summary of Selected Installations. Of these, there are several barracks installations, at least two of which are former FW camps, and a number of logistical installations, storing supplies of ammunition, POL, rations and equipment. Other military installations in the city area include various headquarters buildings, the forts, which are probably used in the city's defense system, and SEVASTO-POL's air and seaplane facilities. There are also gun emplacements in the city area; these are not located, but several of them will probably be found around the city's shores, in the forts and at other strategic points. In

addition to these facilities, a few non-military installations, points in the city which may be useful for orientation, are located on the City Plan. Although most of SEVASTOPOL's military installations are under the control of the navy, it is not improbable that several of them are used by Soviet ground forces personnel.

#### c. Logistical Appraisal:

SEVASTOPOL'S location on the Black Sea and its access to strategic transportation routes in the Crimea underlay its importance as a supply and transshipment point with enormous potential for expansion in time of war. Moreover, the standard logistical installations reference work lists as many as 15 installations, dumps, storage areas and depots, consisting of ammunition, POL, supplies, rations and equipment, some of which are located on the accompanying City Plan and Area Map. Although their subordination is not definitely known, these supply facilities probably serve not only SEVASTOPOL's own requirements, but also ships of the Black Sea Fleet and probably some Crimean points further inland.

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#### 3. SOURCES

A variety of sources was used in the preparation of the SEVASTOPOL' study. The most frequently used raw materials for the study were various intelligence documents. Certain finished intelligence studies, such as the NIS, were of special value for the light they shed on the city and port. Aerial and ground photography, Wringer and other FW interrogation reports, and the usual official US Army maps, various city plans and USAF mosaics were likewise of value and were used in the construction of the City Plan and Area Map and for the location of various installations. Unclassified reference works and items which appeared in the Soviet press were especially useful for background information.

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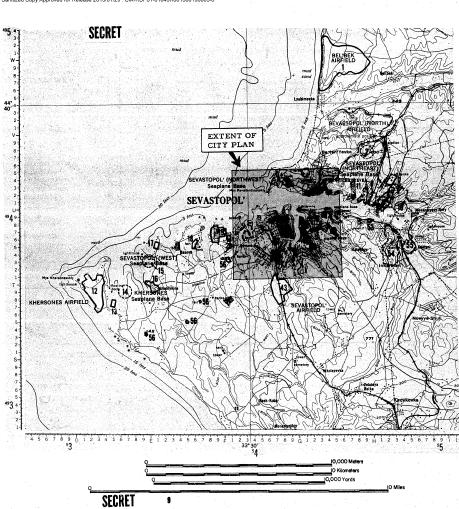
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